

AMUSEMENTS.

VICTORIA THEATRE.

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THEATRE ROYAL.

Sole Lessee and Director, Mr. S. Lazar. Treasurer, Mr. James Booty. IMMENSE SUCCESS. NEW LONDON SERIO-COMIC SENSATION, THE WOMAN IN MAUV.

LAST NIGHT BUT TWO. Last Night but Two. Last Night but Two.

LAST NIGHT BUT ONE. Last Night but One. Last Night but One.

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THIS (Wednesday) EVENING, 19th December, 1877, the new London SENSATION, THE WOMAN IN MAUV.

FRANK JOCELIN, Mr. SOTHERN. ROYAL DRAMATIC COMPANY.

FRIDAY, 21st December, 1877. VICEREGAL COMMAND NIGHT.

FAREWELL BENEFIT OF Mr. SOTHERN.

DAVID GARRICK. AND THE CONJUGAL LESSON.

BOXING-NIGHT. THE ROYAL CHRISTMAS FANTOMINE.

NO FREE LIST. Press excepted. Box plan at Nicholson and Ascherberg's.

THEATRE ROYAL. EXTRAORDINARY NOTICE.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21st. BENEFIT OF Mr. SOTHERN.

THE VAGABOND. The Vagabond.

will make his first and only appearance on the Sydney stage, playing one of his celebrated characters, as performed by him before GENERAL LEE, RICHARDSON, and the renowned Indian Chief SITTING BULL, and GENERAL CAMARGO, DUPTON of New Zealand.

For particulars see future advertisements.

SCHOOL OF ARTS. THIS EVENING, Wednesday, December 19, 1877.

Under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency Sir HERCULES ROBINSON, K.C.M.G., and the Hon. LADY ROBINSON.

Signor CARLO ORLANDINI'S FIRST AND ONLY BENEFIT CONCERT.

Assisted by the following artists, who have kindly given their services:

(POSITIVELY HER LAST APPEARANCE IN AUSTRALIA.)

(Miss MAURE.)

1. Mamma. 2. Don Giovanni. 3. Signor CARLO ORLANDINI.

4. Grand Valse Solo. 5. Signor CARLO ORLANDINI.

6. Duo. 7. Signor CARLO ORLANDINI.

8. Duo. 9. Signor CARLO ORLANDINI.

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34. Duo. 35. Signor CARLO ORLANDINI.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

L. M. Dayles. Lessee. Under the management of Mr. R. J. De LIAIS, Lessee of Theatre Royal, Auckland, and Princess Theatre, Dunedin, New Zealand.

GRAND REOPENING. SATURDAY NEXT, December 22.

Mr. R. J. De LIAIS has the honour to announce that, on the above date, he will introduce to the public of Sydney the famous and only ORIGINAL GEORGIA MINSTRELS.

Original Georgia Minstrels. Original Georgia Minstrels. Original Georgia Minstrels.

Mr. De LIAIS desires in the most positive manner to disclaim any connection with any other company who have assumed the title of this celebrated Minstrel Troupe, and to assure the public that all the artists composing his company will make their

FIRST APPEARANCE IN SYDNEY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22.

Fuller particulars in future advertisement.

THOS. KENNEDY, Acting-manager.

SYDNEY MUSICAL UNION. HANDEL'S GREAT ORATORIO, THE MESSIAH.

SIGNORA ANTONIETTA LINK. 200 PERFORMERS.

VICTORIA THEATRE. CHRISTMAS NIGHT, 1877.

the Committee of the SYDNEY MUSICAL UNION have much pleasure in announcing to the members and the public that arrangements have been made for the production of a Grand Scale of Handel's grand sacred Oratorio,

THE MESSIAH.

and that they have on this occasion obtained the valuable services of the celebrated vocal and instrumental soloists.

SIGNORA ANTONIETTA LINK. The engagement of this eminent singer will enable the committee to produce Handel's great work in a style hitherto unknown in Sydney. This being the only opportunity of hearing the great vocalists in oratorio, the committee desire to attract particular attention to the performance.

A great expense has been incurred in securing the services of Signora Link, and in the purchase of the rendering of the Messiah, the members will be entitled to all tickets for this extra concert, or to dress circle tickets on payment of half-price.

Tickets to be had at Nicholson and Ascherberg's, Elly and Co., Moss in Hunter-street, and Messrs and Co., at the following prices: Dress Circle, 10s; stalls, 5s; upper circle, 3s; gallery, 2s.

Next rehearsal on FRIDAY NIGHT, at 7.30, at the Victoria Theatre, on which occasion none but bona fide performers will be admitted.

W. MULLER, Hon. Sec.

MONSTER PAVILION, OUTER DOMAIN. GRAND PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

EXTRAORDINARY ATTRACTION. Magnificent displays of fireworks—Scattering Novelties. Stage being erected and all great cost. An immense force being led for the purpose.

VARIETY ENTERTAINMENTS. MARVELLOUS TRAPPEE PERFORMANCES.

Great Rehearsing. BOXING-NIGHT, December 26.

Admission—Promenade, 1s; seats, 2s. Children, half-price.

THE GREAT SENSATION. MONSTER SEA SERPENT, 50 feet long. PAVILION, DOMAIN.

THE GREAT ROBINHOOD. DIAMONDS AND JEWELS. MONSTER PAVILION, OUTER DOMAIN.

The Grand REVOLVING WINDMILL. The Great Revolving Windmill. The Great Revolving Windmill.

THE TURK'S CAP. The celebrated SNAKE PURSUING THE BUTTERFLY. BALLOONS, BALLOONS.

Extraordinary Variety Programme for GREAT OPENING NIGHT.

DANCING IN MONSTER PAVILION, OPENING NIGHT.

WATCH FOR further particulars.

SYDNEY AMATEUR TURF CLUB. Patron: His Excellency Sir Hercules Robinson, G.C.M.G. President: Hon. E. R. Keane, M.L.C. Hon. Treasurer: G. F. Watt, Esq. Hon. Sec.: A. S. Barr, Esq.

MINUTEWINTER MEETING, 1878. RANDWICK (under permission). SATURDAY, 5th JANUARY.

RUDDLE RACE, a handicap of 40 sovereigns for all horses. About 35 miles. Entrance, 1 sovereign. Acceptance, 1 sovereign.

SAPLING HANDICAP of 40 sovereigns, for two-year-olds. Fire trials. Entrance, 1 sovereign. Acceptance, 1 sovereign.

STEEPLECHASE, a handicap of 50 sovereigns for all horses. About 3 miles. Entrance, 1 sovereign. Acceptance, 1 sovereign.

STAKES, a handicap of 40 sovereigns for all horses. 1 mile. Entrance, 1 sovereign. Acceptance, 1 sovereign.

QUARTERLY CUP, a wider handicap steeplechase of 20 sovereigns, with a sweepstakes of 2 sovereigns each for starters, with a cup valued at 10 sovereigns added to the property of the committee.

CHOWDER BAY—BOXING DAY.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20. FIRST POPULAR FAMILY PICNIC. CHOWDER BAY. BOXING DAY.

under the same management as last year. Splendid Fleet of Steamers. Adults 2s. Children, 1s.

Also the first-class Band for the Lawn. Special Prices will be given for Dancing, all branches; ladies and gentlemen walking.

For Negro impersonation, comic dittos, best limitation of Richards, Cheevers, and Kennedy, &c.

Full particulars will be duly announced.

COMPLIMENTARY PICNIC to Mrs. Alderman THOMAS PLAYFAIR, to take place at CHOWDER BAY, on THURSDAY, December 21st.

Patrons: Mrs. Alderman THOMAS PLAYFAIR, Mrs. Alderman THOMAS PLAYFAIR, Mrs. Alderman THOMAS PLAYFAIR.

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appear in this place to have reached their culminating point. It is at least impossible, if one tithe of the

stories brought by the fugitives be true, that the most dreadful inhumanity can surpass the things which have been said to have happened in the town of Kozani. As to speak of the Bulgarian state at Kozani it is possible. To speak of the whole proceedings there as a debate of fiends seems to come nearer to a description of the things which have happened there. The Bulgarians and Cosaks occupied the town for three or two days after its bombardment by the Russians. They confined the other inhabitants of the town to their houses, joined them in nightly bands, held hideous orgies in the streets, and, in the presence of men and young girls, and then, frequently concluded the evening's entertainment by the murder of a whole household. Their incessant demand was for money, and the people were obliged to give it, or to be killed. The man who had failed to produce it. This must not be taken as implying that those who produced money were to go unscathed. On the contrary, the more money they gave, the more they were persecuted, and were renewed until their families were reduced to nothing, then, being no longer of service, they were slain. The Jews here seem to have suffered as severely as

THE STAGE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD

Sir:—The Bishop of Melbourne's philosophy, in referring to the Jews as "the vilest race of men," is good enough to excite indignation; but it is good enough also to a good and comfortable theatre to see a good play

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Amoral school, but its lessons are lasting and invaluable. It is not in the best degree rational, reasonable, or fair to the world, but it is the only one that is not altogether unregulated; there is not to be extended, where the hours of leisure may occasionally be passed with interest in the world.

As long as the world lasts the stage will hold its own among all classes of the people as a most attractive place. It will never lose its hold upon their delight. The theatre will never lose its hold upon the imagination of the people, it is agitated by hopes and fears, inflamed by stormy passion melted in sympathetic tenderness with the wronged and wrong, and has a host of brilliant characters, who laugh and weep.

The people of the world will always love to see the world brought before them, and to see the characters of the world as they are. The stage is the only place where the most striking incidents and characters, which are every day happening and passing before their eyes, brought before them in a more striking manner than in the world. It is a drama. There is no lesson that cannot be inculcated, and no perfect propriety and rare success from the stage, and in the end it will be the only place where the world will be taught and reformed more elegantly than the command. It will be the only place where the world will be taught and reformed more elegantly than the command. It will be the only place where the world will be taught and reformed more elegantly than the command.

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men, storekeepers, business people, ranchmen, who by the nature of their employments are compelled to live in towns or villages, are unable to build the residence claims, and are therefore completely shut out from the advantages offered by the present Land Act, and cannot acquire land direct from the Government, and are thus denied the right to acquire the Crown; yet many of the above classes, named as above, are in a position to take up land and improve it with the intention of making it a home for their old age, and of becoming bona-fide residents on the land.

The present Land Act appears to me to be based on principles of protection of the most extreme kind, and limits the acquisition of land to the free selectors and squatters.

I would suggest that persons unable to reside on land should be empowered to expend double the amount in the purchase of land that is imposed on a man who resides on the land.

Yours obediently,
E. K. V.

New Zealand, 27th December.

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AUCTION SALES.

THURSDAY, 20th December, at 11 a.m.

TO GLASS AND CHINA WAREHOUSES,
FURNITURE WAREHOUSES, DEALERS,
AND OTHERS.FLINT GLASS TIMBERS,
By Messrs. Dwyer.HARRIS and ACKMAN have been favoured with instructions from the Proprietors to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 141, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, 20th December, at 11 o'clock, WITHOUT RESERVE,
50 cases flint glass timbers,
Terms at sale.

THURSDAY, 20th December, at 11 a.m.

TO GLASS AND CHINA WAREHOUSES,
FURNITURE WAREHOUSES, PARTIES,
FURNISHING, AND OTHERS.HARRIS and ACKMAN have been favoured with instructions from the Proprietors to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 141, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, 20th December, at 11 o'clock,
A splendid lot of
DINNER, DESSERT,
TOILET SERVICES,
of the newest and choicest patterns.

Terms at sale.

THURSDAY, 20th December, at 11 a.m.

TO IRONMONGERS, PRIVATE GENTLEMEN,
PROPRIETORS OF PLEASURE GARDENS,
DEALERS, AND OTHERS.HARRIS and ACKMAN have been favoured with instructions from the Proprietors to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 141, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, 20th December, at 11 o'clock,
A choice assortment of garden seats.

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FOR SALE BY AUCTION ON

FRIDAY, 21st, at 11 a.m.

THE WHOLE OF THE VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE AND EFFECTS (the property of
MORRICE A. BLACK, Esq., removed from
THIS VILLA, Home View, Randwick.BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have been favoured with instructions from MORRICE A. BLACK, Esq., to sell by auction, at their New Sale Rooms, Spring and O'Connell streets, on FRIDAY, 21st, at 11 a.m.,
THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.
Catalogues will be compiled and circulated two days previous to sale.

FURNISHING GOODS.

To Close Accounts previous to Stock Taking.

FLOORCLOTHS
THE NEW PATENT FLOORCLOTHS, with Mats to
match.HEARTH RUGS and DOOR MATS
WORTHED REPS, SILK REPS
HOUSEHOLD.

THIS DAY, Wednesday, 19th instant, at 11 o'clock

CHAS. MOORE and CO. are instructed to sell by
auction, at their Rooms, 147, Pitt-street, THIS
DAY, Wednesday.6 cases, 26 pieces 4-4 super double cloth, 3 qualities
4 ditto, 10 ditto 6-4 ditto
4 ditto, 10 ditto 8-4 dittoR. in diamond,
11 balls, each 1 piece new patent floorcloth, in modern
patterns and shades3 cases made to match the above, in various sizes
396-1000 velvet hearth rugs, 2 sizes
396-1000 ditto door matsAS,
11-8 pieces 4-4 worsted reps, in green, crimson, and
12-8 ditto super heavy ditto ditto ditto ditto
10-10 ditto figured silk ditto, crimson, green, and blue
68-20 ditto figured silk ditto, 66, 100, and 103 inch
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68-10 ditto figured silk ditto, 66, 100, and 103 inchDS in diamond,
1-4 balls, each 1 piece 4-4 worsted reps, in green, crimson, and
About 15 cwt. horse hair, low

Terms at sale.

Unreserved sale, to close accounts for the half-year.

To Warehousemen, Drapers, Stockkeepers, and others.

Important Auction Sale of
BOYS' and MEN'S CLOTHING, WOOLLEN, MOS-
QUITO NETS, LACE CURTAINS, TOWELS,
LINENS, COTTON GOODS, PRINTS, CLOTH-
ING, HOSIERY, SHIRTS, HATS, &c.,
now landing ex Anglo-Norman and Permatia.TO-MORROW, Thursday, and FRIDAY, 20th and 21st
instant, at 11 a.m. each day.CHAS. MOORE and CO. are instructed to sell by
auction, at their Rooms, 147, Pitt-street, TO-MOR-
ROW, Thursday, and FRIDAY.The following lines, to close accounts for the half-year,
by order of the consignees.434-100 men's black cloth D. B. pages
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50 ditto, fancy marcella vests
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WEDNESDAY, December 19, at 11 o'clock.

First line to be offered.

Important to Wine and Spirit Merchants, Hotelkeepers,
and others.200 CASES KEY GENTLY, 1 450,
JOSEPH, and CO.200 Ditto ditto ditto 1 510,
JOSEPH, and CO.88 Ditto AROMATIC DITTO, 1 381,
JOSEPH, and CO.15 Ditto SWAIN, BOOTH, ORANGE BITTERS,
JOSEPH, and CO.23 Ditto MYERS' ALPINE BITTERS,
JOSEPH, and CO.12 Ditto LOWMEYER'S OLD TOM,
JOSEPH, and CO.5 QUARTER-CASKS PRESTON'S IRISH
WHISKY, 2 210,
JOSEPH, and CO.126 CASES ditto ditto ditto, 4 751,
JOSEPH, and CO.15 Ditto FERRIER'S CHAMPAGNE MOUSSEUX,
JOSEPH, and CO.65 Ditto ditto ditto ditto, 4 415,
JOSEPH, and CO.145 Ditto LEONARD ANDRE ST. JULIAN
CLARET, 4 417,
JOSEPH, and CO.100 CASES AUBERT and CO'S ST. JULIAN
CLARET.For POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE,
under instructions from
At the City Mart, on WEDNESDAY, December 19,
at 11 o'clock.Under instructions from Messrs. MONTFLORE,
JOSEPH, and CO.L. E. THREKELD will sell by auction, at the
City Mart, on WEDNESDAY, December 19, at 11 o'clock,
The above line will be sold.

Every line will be sold.

Full particulars at sale.

TERMS at sale.

CLARENCE RIVER SUGARS,
RICHMOND RIVER SUGARS,
just arrived,
comprised.FINEST LIGHT COUNTERS
DITTO YELLOW DITTO
DITTO BROWN SUGARS, and TIONS.FOR POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE,
under instructions from
AT THE CITY MART, WEDNESDAY,
December 19, at 11 o'clock.Sugars are not being carried into the Rooms, where intend-
ing purchasers can inspect bulk previous to sale.L. E. THREKELD will sell by auction, at the
City Mart, THIS DAY, Wednesday, 19th, at 11 o'clock,
763 packages sugar.

Full particulars at sale.

TERMS at sale.

FOR POSITIVE SALE,
under instructions from
Messrs. MONTFLORE, JOSEPH, and CO.To Close Account Sales by the outgoing Mail,
Ex Mail of Judah.F. over B in diamond over K.
No. 1-100 Half-crown extra fine Kaiser Crown
3-94 Ditto Ditto Ditto

Ex Normandy.

M in diamond,
No. 38-89 Half-crown
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100-240 DittoPRIME NORTH WILTS CREEPER,
New land, 22 Perches, in excellent condition,
JUST IN TIME FOR THE CHRISTMAS TRADE.For Positive Sale,
THIS DAY, Wednesday, 19th instant, at 11 o'clock.TO FAMILY GROCERS, SHIPPING AGENTS,
COUNTRY BUYERS, and the trade generally.L. E. THREKELD will sell by auction, at the
City Mart, THIS DAY, Wednesday, 19th instant, at 11
o'clock.R. PARRAMATTA,
20 cases prime North Wiltshire cheese, now landing in prime
condition.

Terms at sale.

INDIAN CONDIMENTS, &c.,
FROM THE GREAT EASTERN COMPANY,
EX MAIL-STEAMER.For Positive Unreserved Sale,
at the City Mart,
WEDNESDAY, December 19, at 11 o'clock.

Every line to be sold.

L. E. THREKELD will sell by auction, at the
City Mart, THIS DAY, Wednesday, 19th instant, at 11 o'clock,
1-30-30 cases Indian condiments, preserves, pastes, &c.,
from the Great Eastern Company, ex mail-steamers.

Full particulars at sale.

CHRISTMAS SALE OF OILMEN'S STORES.
R. in diamond,
By order of the Consignees.

WEDNESDAY, December 19, at the City Mart.

L. E. THREKELD will sell by auction, at the City
Mart, THIS DAY, Wednesday, 19th instant, at 11 o'clock.Ex PERICLES, from London,
50 cases Horn's 4-pint castor oil
25 cases Horn's 2-pint castor oil
100 ditto Whybrow's 4-pint castor oil
100 ditto Whybrow's 2-pint castor oil
100 ditto Whybrow's 1-pint castor oil
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A VISIT TO MATER and COY
218, Pitt-street, Sydney.

HARMONIUMS, and Cabinet Organs,
that their establishment is the cheapest in Sydney.
For cash buyers a liberal discount allowed.

INSTRUMENTS SOLD ON TIME PAYMENTS
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